

2007 CHIP income guidelines



The chart below lists the income guidelines effective February 1, 2007.

Family Size (children & adults)	Family Income
2	\$20,535
3	\$25,755
4	\$30,975
5	\$36,195
6	\$41,415
7	\$46,635
8	\$51,855

CHIP customer satisfaction survey



In CHIP's recent customer satisfaction survey, 99 percent of those responding said they would recommend CHIP to friends and family members.

Ninety-eight percent of those responding said the CHIP application was easy to fill out.

Of the respondents who indicated they had called the CHIP Family Health Line for information or assistance, 100 percent said the person they talked to was helpful.

Of the respondents who indicated they had visited the CHIP website, 95 percent said the website was helpful.

The complete survey results are posted on the CHIP website at www.chip.mt.gov.

CHIP Champion Award



JoHanna L. Spang, Medical Resources Coordinator for the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Health Department, right, with Tom Mexicancheyenne, Northern Cheyenne Community Health Director

In October 2006, CHIP recognized **JoHanna L. Spang** by presenting her with the CHIP Champion Award. This award is given to CHIP community partners who go the "extra mile" in helping families obtain health insurance for their children.

Ms. Spang actively promotes CHIP and other health care programs at schools, pow-wows and other events in Lane Deer and surrounding communities.

The first CHIP Champion Award was presented last August to **Renita Watson** who works for Rocky Boy Tribal Health.

CHIP partners with health care providers and other community-based organizations all across Montana to spread the word about CHIP in their local communities.

If you would like to become a CHIP community partner or if you would like to nominate someone for the CHIP Champion Award, contact Michael Mahoney, CHIP Community Relations Manager, at 877-543-7669 or e-mail mmahoney2@mt.gov.

New CHIP dentists



Here is a list of new CHIP dentists since July 2006.

Lawrence Burke, DDS
Williston, ND, (701) 572-2662

Eric & Robin Hogan, DDS
Miles City, 234-2926

James Johnson, DDS
Billings, 652-2720

James Kehr, DDS
Helena, 442-3190

Jim Kolstad, DDS
Lewistown, 538-5388

Thad Langford, DDS
Bozeman, 586-4559

Michael Merrill, DDS
Rexburg, ID, (208) 356-9097

Veldon Moser, DDS
Deer Lodge, 846-1216

Ronald Neal, DDS
Great Falls, 727-4322

James Olson, DDS
Hamilton, 363-2421

Jaeson Repscher, DDS
Bozeman, 522-8801

Joel Sayre, DMD
Bozeman, 587-2327

Michael Shelby, DMD
Havre, 265-2063

Connie Small, DDS
Kalispell, 755-4127

Ken Small, DDS
Great Falls, 452-2138

John Tripp, DDS
Billings, 245-4922

Steven Whitney, DDS
Great Falls, 727-4322

Brandon Wright, DDS
Lolo, 273-0490

To find a CHIP dentist in your area, call 1-877-543-7669 or visit the CHIP website at www.chip.mt.gov.

CHIP resources

CHIP toll-free phone:
1-877-543-7669
(1-877 KidsNow)

CHIP toll-free fax:
1-877-418-4533

CHIP website:
www.chip.mt.gov

CHIE-mail Address:
chip@mt.gov

CHIP Mailing Address:
PO Box 202951
Helena, MT 59620-2951

Blue Cross Blue Shield of
Montana:
1-800-447-7828, ext. 8647



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please let us know as soon as possible by
contacting CHIP at 1-877-543-7669 (1-877-
KidsNow).

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New CHIP income guidelines for 2007

CHIP announced new income guidelines
effective February 1. Federal guidelines are
revised each year to account for inflation and
other cost-of-living adjustments.

CHIP updates and implements the new guide-
lines as soon as possible so more children can
be eligible for CHIP.

For example, under the new guidelines, children
from a family of four with an annual income of
\$30,975 may be eligible for CHIP. That's \$975
more than last year.

Families who earn more than the guidelines
should still consider applying because additional
income adjustments are made based on the
number of family members who are employed
and whether they pay for child care or care for
a disabled or elderly adult.

The deductions are \$120 per month for each
employed adult in the family and \$200 per
month for each child or dependent adult
receiving care.

*(The new CHIP income guidelines are listed
inside.)*